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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER   |                               |                        | Case No. 6270/60       |
| Serial No.<br>09/814,436   | Filing Date<br>March 22, 2001 | Examiner<br>P. Assouad | Group Art Unit<br>2857 |
| Inventor(s)<br>Blackett et al.   |                               |                        |                        |
| Title of Invention<br>COMMUNICATIONS ARCHITECTURE FOR INTELLIGENT ELECTRONIC DEVICES |                               |                        |                        |

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; PTO-1449; Copy of cited reference I1-I11; Postcard receipt.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.

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| Small Entity |                 | or | Other Than Small Entity |                 |    |
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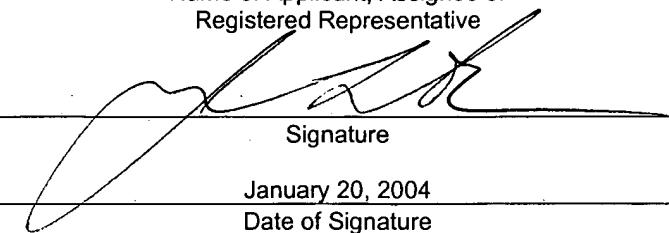
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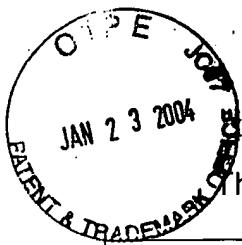
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**EIGHTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered. Applicants have enclosed a form PTO-1449. Applicants request that the references listed in the form PTO-1449 be reviewed and made of record. Copies of the references are enclosed.



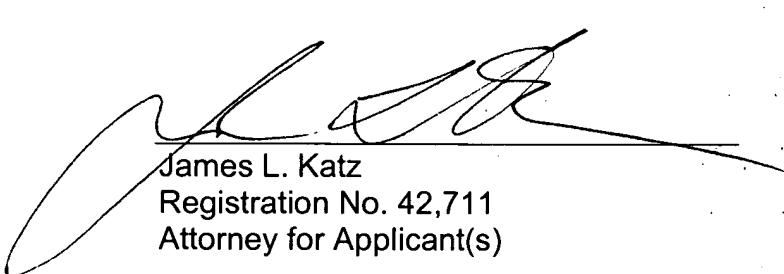
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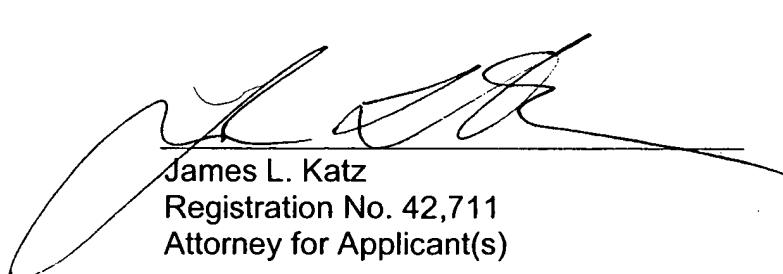
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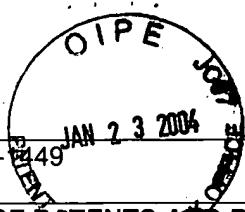
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